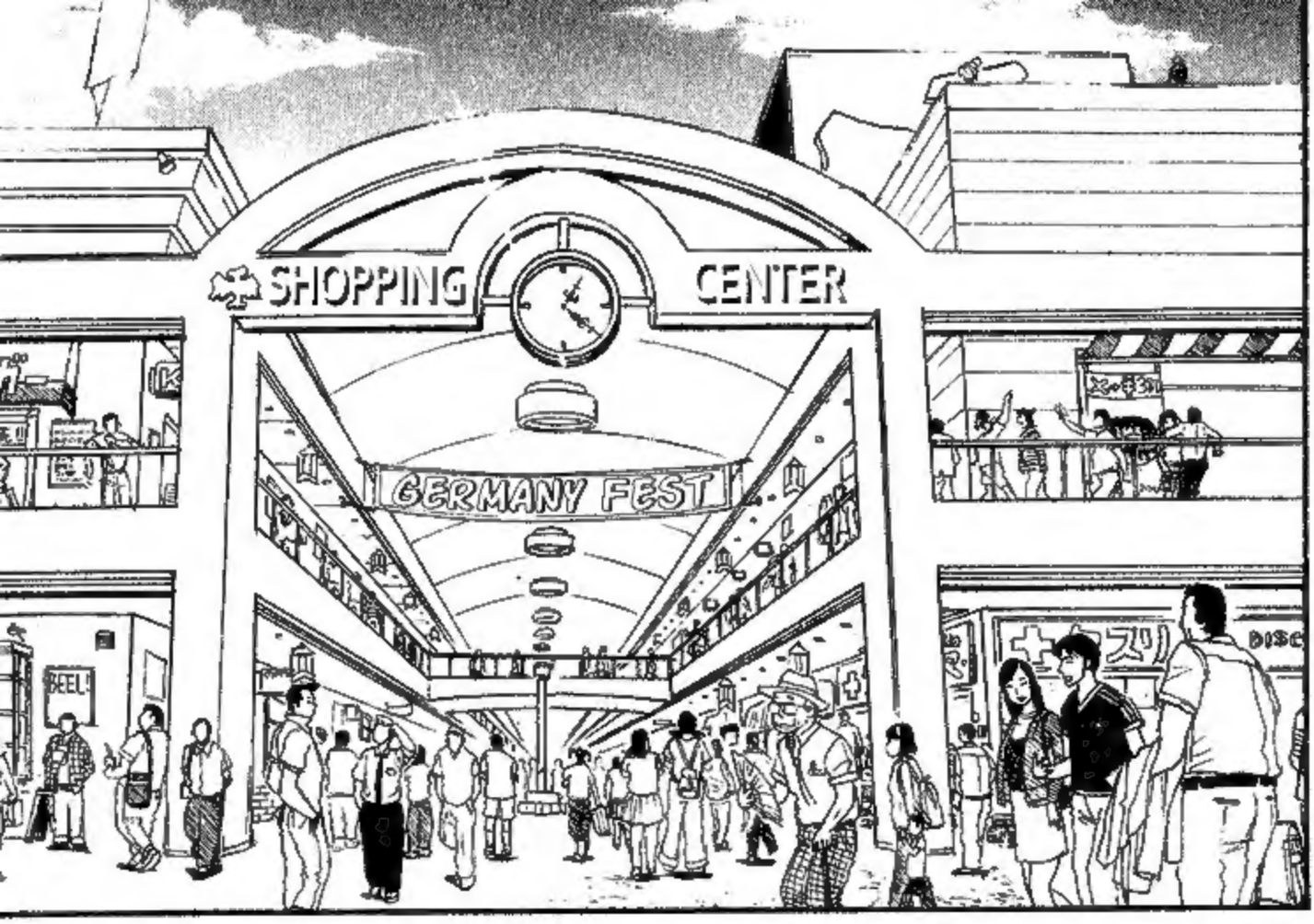


ACT II: CIRCUS * THE TAMER
PART FIVE

"ENTER THE STAGE"

TON TON TON
GRRR

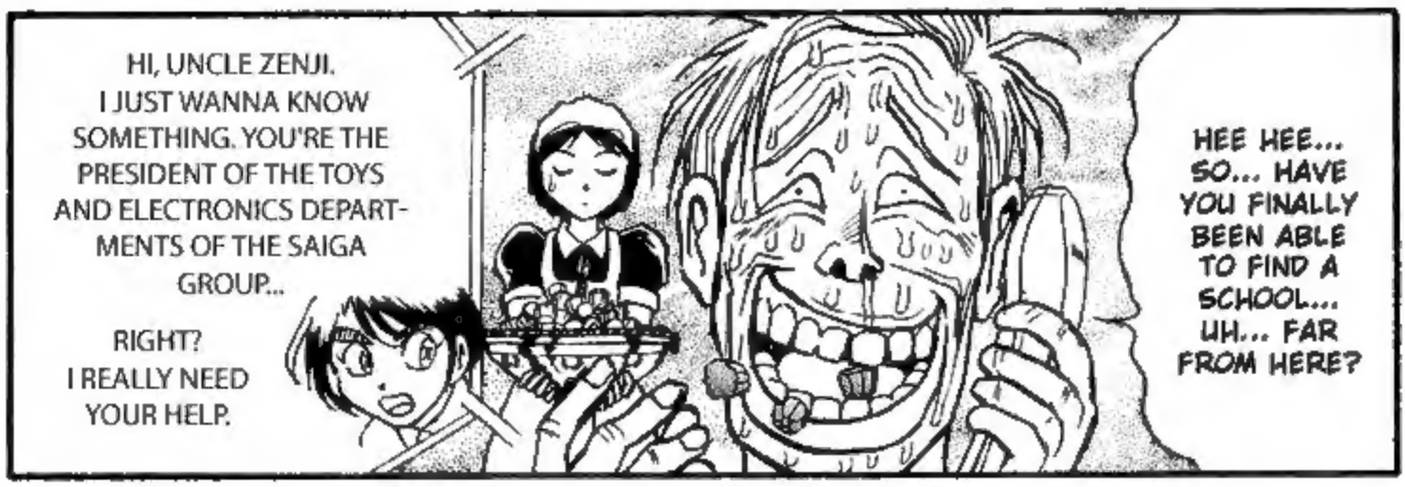
TON TON TON TON TON
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO!? BEAST IS HEADED RIGHT FOR THE MALL! AND TODAY, OBVIOUSLY, LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE THERE...
WE CAN'T GET EVERY-ONE TO JUST CALMLY EVACUATE THE PLACE!

IF WE FAIL, THE ARRIVAL OF BEAST WILL CAUSE A TERRIBLE PANIC...
A LOT OF PEOPLE WILL GET INJURED ...
THAT'S WHAT HAPPEN-ED WHEN MY SISTER WAS KILLED ...

OH REALLY ?
I THINK I'VE GOT THE SOLUTION ...

DAN
TELEPHONE
STOP HERE!
WHAT CAN WE DO?
PI PI
PA PA PI
PU
TUUUUU
ALL THAT IS BEHIND ME NOW! I SHOULD LOOK TO THE FUTURE!
SINCE MASARU IS GONE, I FEEL REVIVED!
HA HAA! LIFE IS BEAUTI-FUL!

CRAC
PAF
MASTER SAIGA... MASTER MASARU IS ON THE PHONE...
BOM


HI, UNCLE ZENJI. I JUST WANNA KNOW SOMETHING. YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT OF THE TOYS AND ELECTRONICS DEPARTMENTS OF THE SAIGA GROUP...
RIGHT? I REALLY NEED YOUR HELP.
HEE HEE... SO... HAVE YOU FINALLY BEEN ABLE TO FIND A SCHOOL... UH... FAR FROM HERE?

BELIEVE ME! A LOT OF PEOPLE'S LIVES DEPEND ON THIS! I'LL REIMBURSE YOU FOR ALL THE PRODUCTS THAT WILL BE GIVEN OUT!
WHAT ARE YOU ASKING OF ME NOW!?

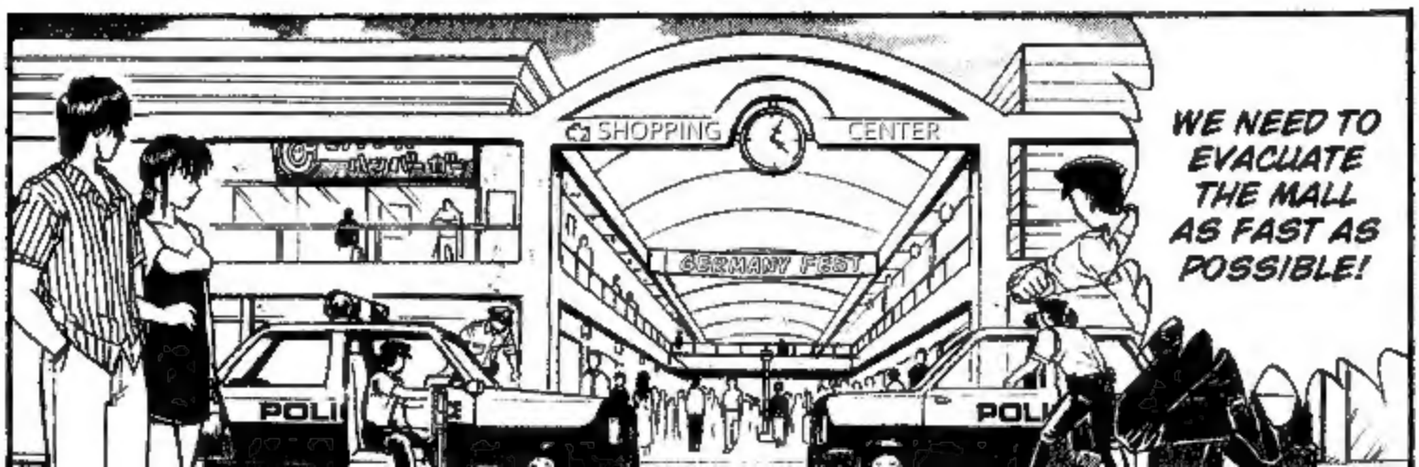
HUH !?
I'D LIKE FOR YOU TO ORGANIZE THE DISTRIBUTION OF SOME FREE MERCHANDISE, NEXT TO THE MALL AT THE COAST.

IF YOU DON'T AGREE ...
ARE YOU KID-DING ME !?
NOW!!
FINE... AT WHAT TIME SHOULD THIS HAPPEN AROUND?
OH-NO! NOT THAT!... PLEASE!!
MY DEAR "FATHER..."
I'LL COME BACK TO LIVE WITH YOU...
MOVE IT! WE HAVE TO GET 100 HI-DEF FLAT SCREENS, MODEL 32, TO THE SPORT FIELD AT THE SCHOOL NEXT TO THE MALL!
...ALL RIGHT!
NO, I MEAN ...
FASTER
SAIGA ELECTRONICS FACTORY #3, SEASIDE QUARTER
BUT ... SIR!
SAIGA

THAT BRAT DOES WHATEVER HE WANTS TO ME!
...
...
...
!!!
WHAT!? 100 MULTIFUNCTION CD PLAYERS AND 100 LATEST-MODEL HI-FI MINI-STEREOS!?
SAIGA
SAIGA ELECTRONICS FACTORY #4, SEASIDE QUARTER

MANAGER! ...WHY IS THIS SO URGENT!?
VIDEO GAMES! CUDDLE TOYS! DOLLS! R.C. MODELS!
TAKE OUT ALL THE STOCK!
SAIGA TOYS MERCHANDISE WAREHOUSE, SEASIDE QUARTER

ALL THOSE WHO HAVEN'T HEADED OUT, DO SO AT ONCE!
YOYOTA
GRRRO-OM-MMMM

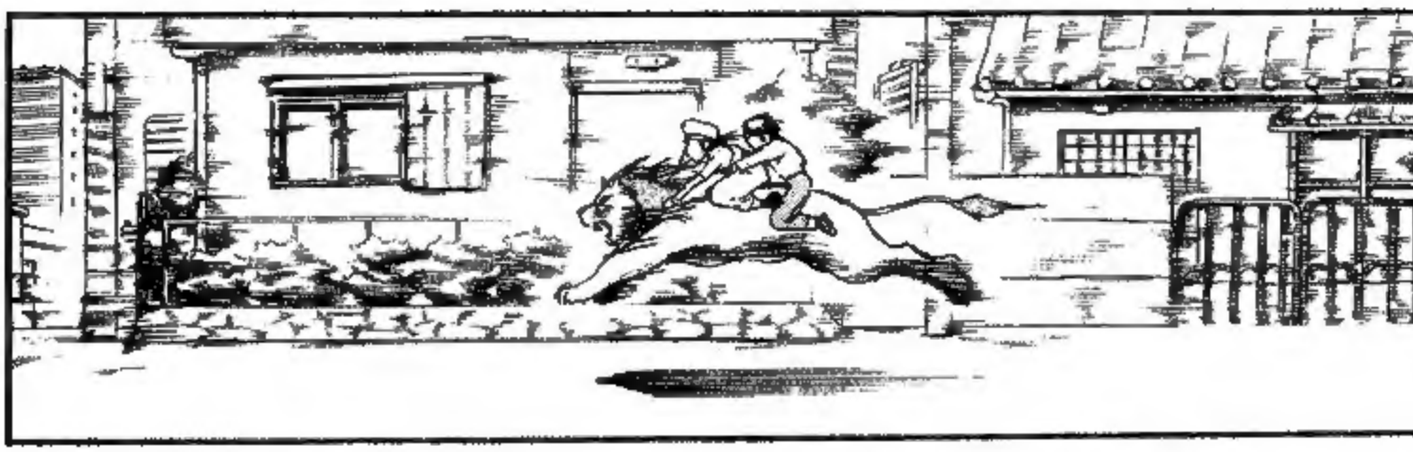

SHOPPING CENTER
GERMANY FEST
POLI
POLI
WE NEED TO EVACUATE THE MALL AS FAST AS POSSIBLE!

WOOHOO!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT! THE TIGER WILL BE HERE IN ANOTHER MINUTE!!
ALL THESE RISKS WILL CAUSE A PANIC...
WE SHOULD BE VERY CAREFUL ...
DAH
BLA
BLA
THEY'RE ALL CALMLY LEAV-ING!
WHA ...?
DEAR CUSTOMERS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...
LISTEN FOR A SEC... THERE'S AN ANNOUNCE-MENT PLAYING IN THE MALL!
NO... LOOK! THEY ALL SEEM HAPPY!... THEY AREN'T RUNNING FROM THE TIGER YET!
THE EVA-CUATION HAS ALREADY STARTED !?

SO, COME RECEIVE YOUR GIFTS! THERE ARE HI-FI MINI-STEREOS, AND SEVERAL TOP-OF-THE-LINE ELECTRONICS. DON'T FORGET GAMES OF ALL SORTS FOR THE KIDS! BUT BE AWARE: THIS OFFER IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 PEOPLE THAT SHOW US WHAT THEY WANT!
THERE ARE GAMES!
LET'S GO!
YIPPEE!
MINI-STER-EOS !?
WE HAVE ORGANIZED A DISTRIBUTION OF FREE PRODUCTS... THE EVENT STARTS RIGHT NOW!
MANY ELECTRONICS, AS WELL AS TOYS, WILL BE OFFERED TO YOU, FREE, BY SAIGA ENTERPRISES.

WE NEED TO DEAL WITH THE PEOPLE WHO ARE STILL STAYING INSIDE!
DAN

THANKS TO THIS ANNOUNCEMENT, EVERYONE WILL LEAVE THE SHOPS!
THIS EVENT TAKES PLACE ON THE PLAYING FIELD OF THE SCHOOL RIGHT NEXT TO THIS MALL.



SOME PEOPLE ...
... HAVE TRIED TO KILL ME ...
TARANDA... I NEED YOU TO KEEP THIS SECRET. I INHERITED A HUGE FORTUNE A WHILE BACK. BUT, BECAUSE OF THAT...

YOU SAID YOU WOULD PAY FOR ALL THAT MERCHANDISE...
HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

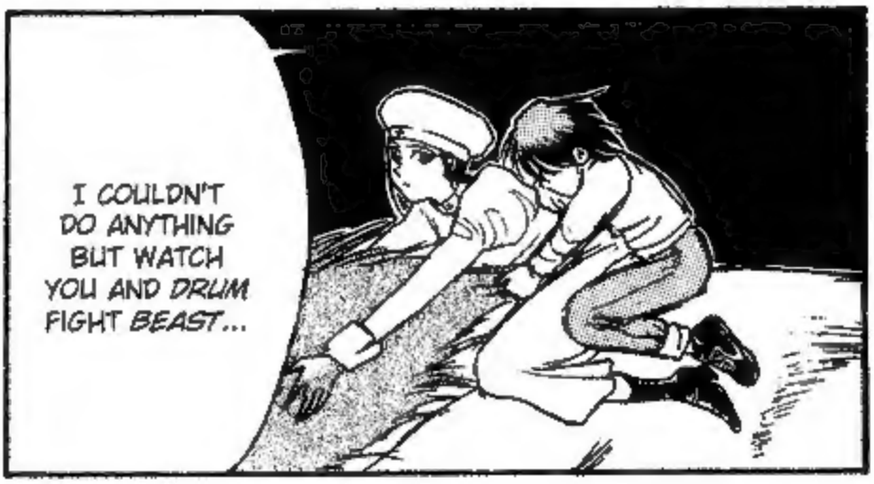
HE WAS STRONG, AND INCREDIBLY KIND. ALL THE TIME, I NEEDED HIS HELP.
I'VE ESCAPED DEATH SEVERAL TIMES...
BUT, FORTUNATELY, ONE MAN SAVED MY LIFE...
HE'S DEAD BECAUSE OF THAT...
BUT, HE FOUGHT FOR ME... ME, A MERE STRANGER ...
AND HE GOT NOTHING IN RETURN!
I REALLY WANT TO BE LIKE HIM... SO COURAGEOUS, SO CARING...
I UNDERSTAND...
SO...
I USE MY OWN MEANS...
BUT I CAN'T EVEN DO THAT... I'M STILL TOO WEAK!
EVERYTHING HE DID FOR ME, HE USED HIS OWN STRENGTH FOR IT!

IF I CAN SAVE THE LIFE OF A SINGLE PERSON WITH THAT MONEY,...
I WON'T HESITATE TO GIVE IT ALL AWAY!!

I WASN'T ALWAYS RICH... FAR FROM IT...

UNFOR-TUNATELY... IN SPITE OF WHAT I JUST SAID...
THIS PROBLEM CAN'T JUST BE SOLVED WITH MONEY...

AS OF RIGHT NOW, I'M JUST A DEAD WEIGHT...


I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING BUT WATCH YOU AND *DRUM* FIGHT *BEAST*...

IT'S USE-LESS TO BE SO VERY RICH...
WITHOUT THE ABILITY TO HELP YOU...

YOU'RE YOUNG YET. DON'T FEEL GUILTY ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS AROUND YOU.
TODAY, YOU THINK YOU'RE JUST A SPECTA-TOR...
THAT'S WHAT I AM!
BUT, YOU ASKED THE OLD MAN TO LET ME COME HERE TO FIGHT BEAST...
AND YOU ALREADY HELPED ME FIND HIM...
HOORAY!
BRAVO!
A CIRCUS PERFORMER CAN'T SHOW THEIR TRUE TALENT...
UNLESS THEY HAVE SPECTA-TORS!

BEFORE NOW, PEOPLE WOULD ONLY WATCH MY SISTER...

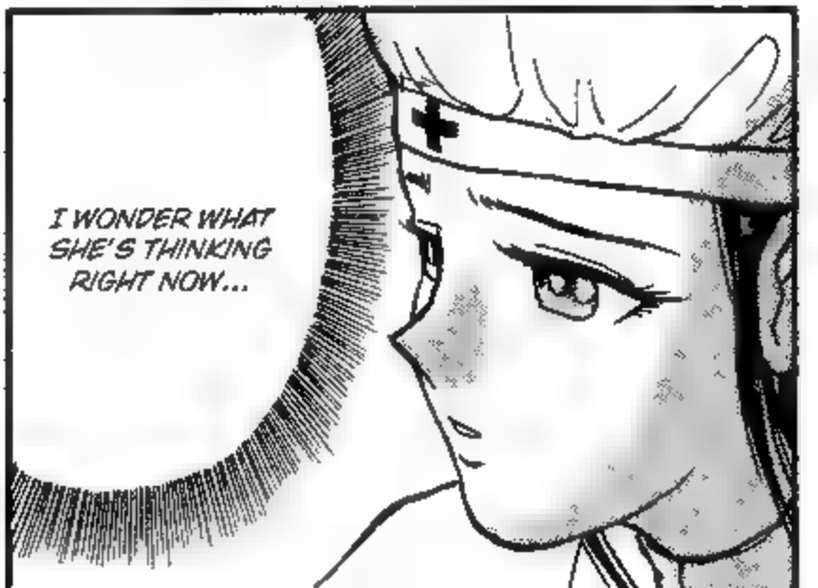
HUH?
YOU KNOW, MASARU... I GET THE FEELING THAT YOU'RE MY FIRST REAL SPECTATOR...

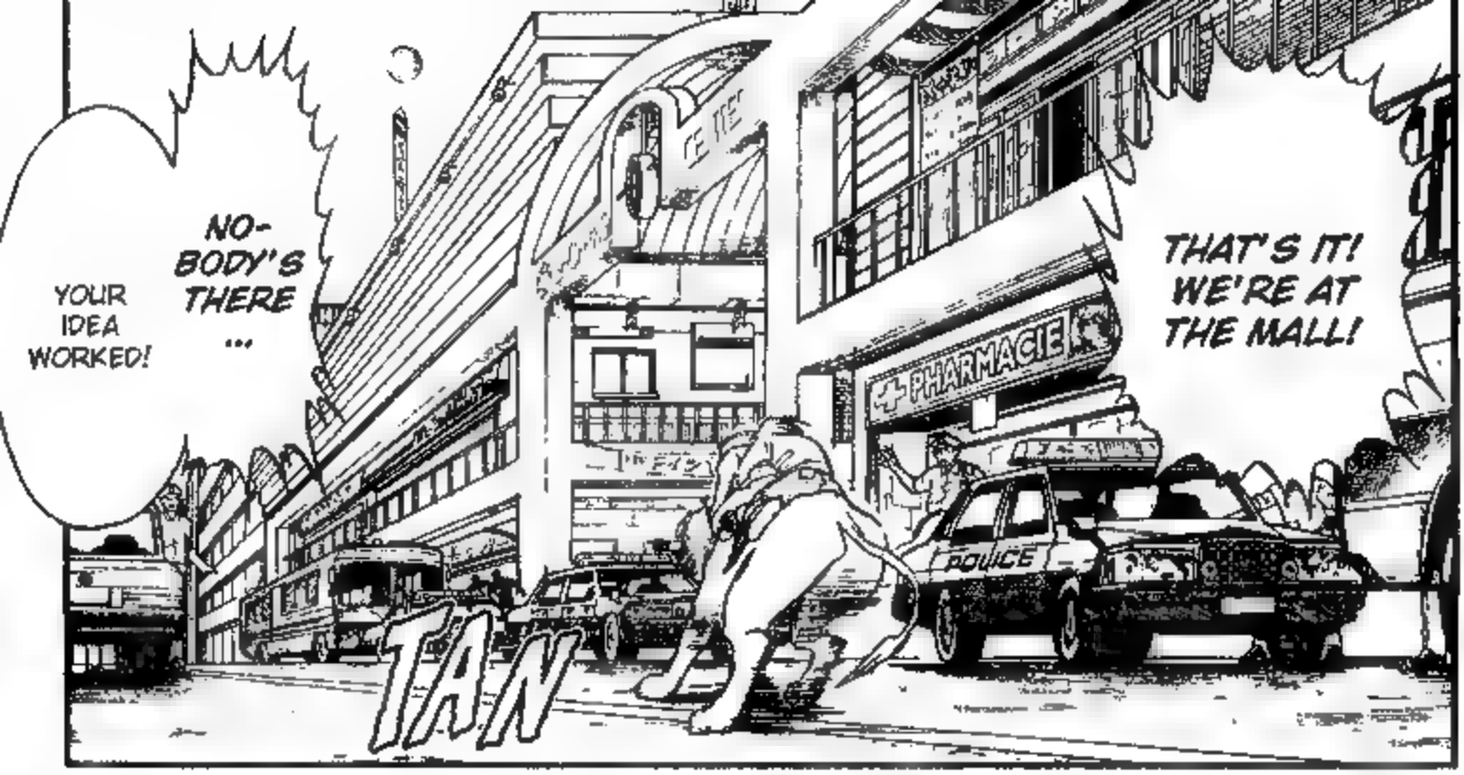
I, TOO, WOULD WATCH MY SISTER...

I THINK SHE'S RIGHT!
SHIRGANE TOLD ME THAT TARANDA HAD ANOTHER PERSONALITY, HIDING HER POWER WITHIN...

TARANDA ...

DAAN


I WONDER WHAT SHE'S THINKING RIGHT NOW...


YOUR IDEA WORKED!
NO-BODY'S THERE ...
THAT'S IT! WE'RE AT THE MALL!
PHARMACIE
POLICE
TAN

SCLAC
DON'T MOVE!
POLICE
IS BEAST ALREADY HERE?

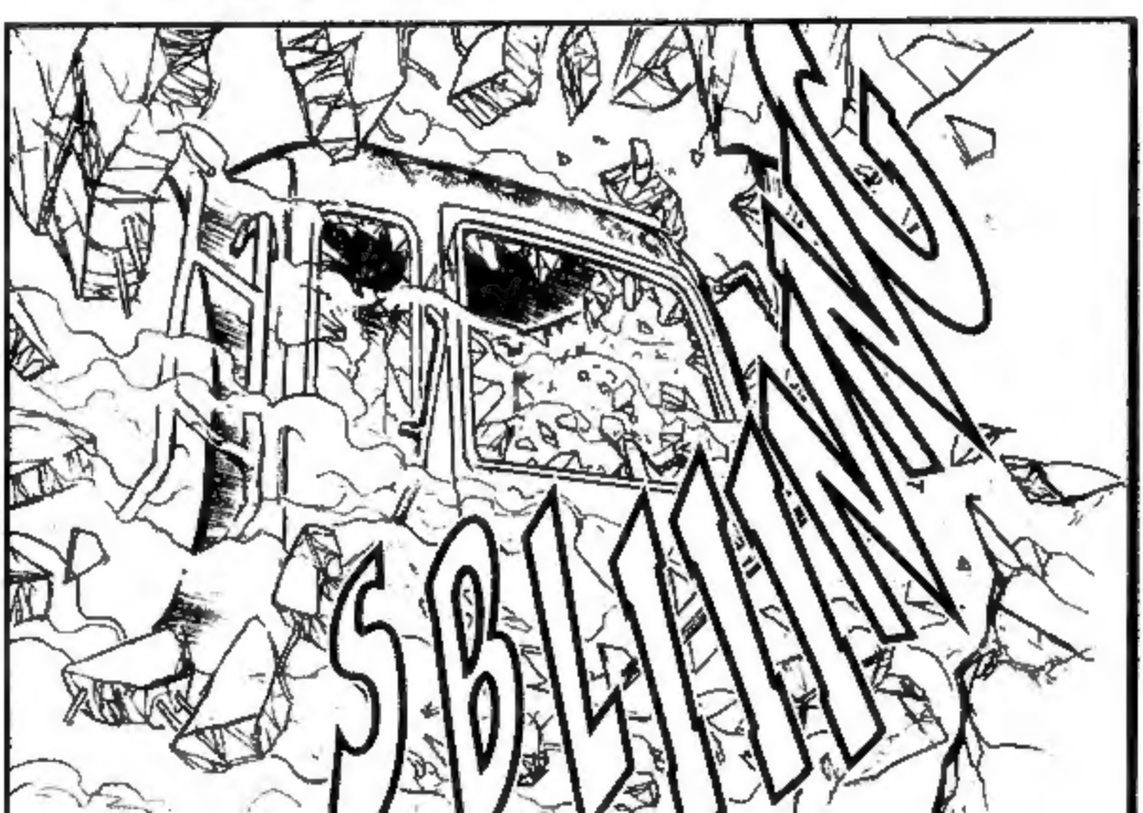
QUIET! I HONESTLY HOPE, FOR YOUR SAKE, THAT YOUR LION IS AT LEAST A BIT TAME.
WAIT! WE'RE JUST...
VRRROOMM

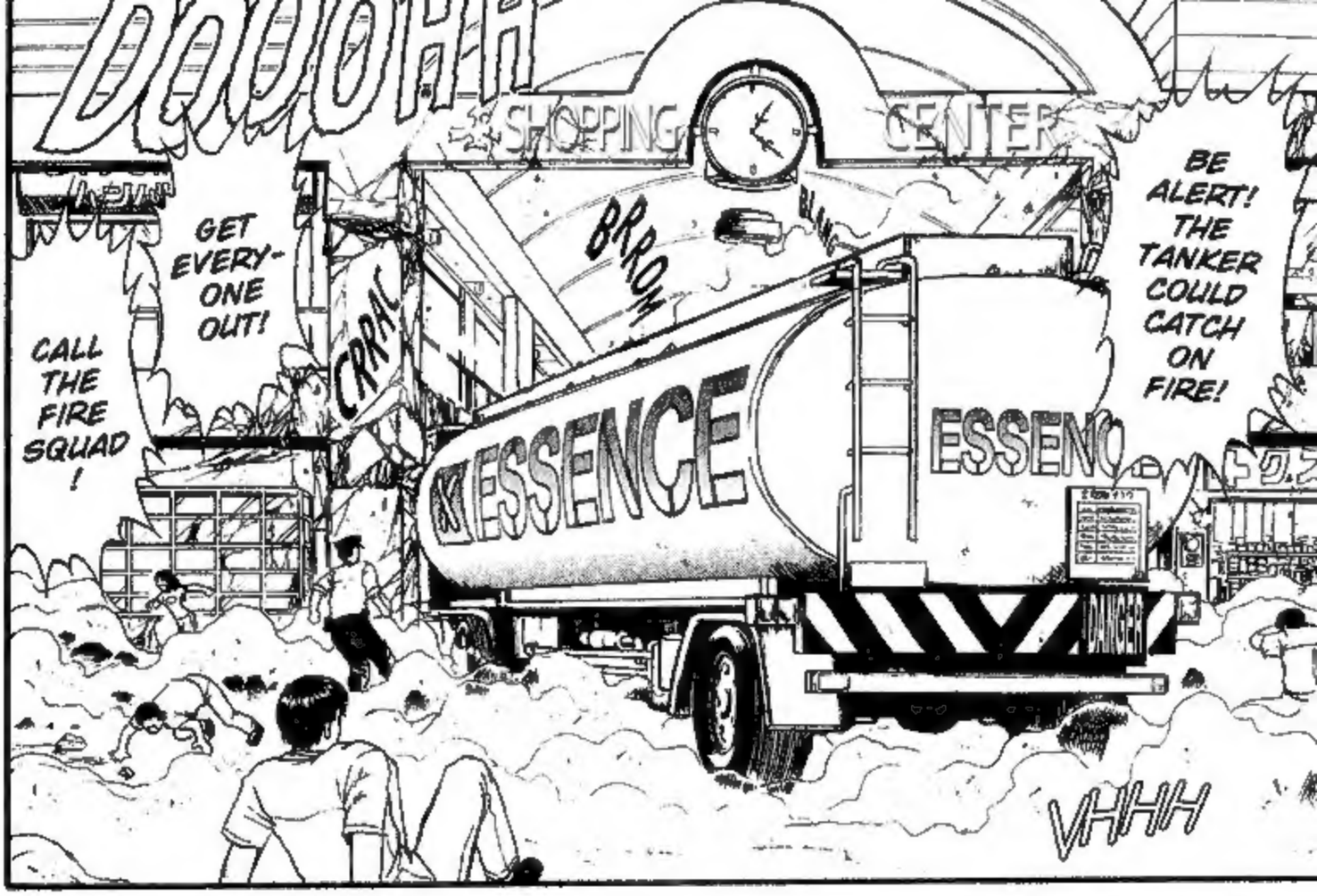
BUT ...
YOU'RE THE GIRL LOOKING FOR BEAST WITH A LION... WE WERE WARNED OF YOU COMING HERE...

STOP! THE ROAD IS BLOCKED!
A GAS TANKER?
IT'S BEAST!
VRROOM!
NISSAN DIESEL
DANGER
LOOK OUT!
ROO

SBRLAAM
ESSENCE
ESSENCE
DANGER
30% OFF

VVOM


SBLAM

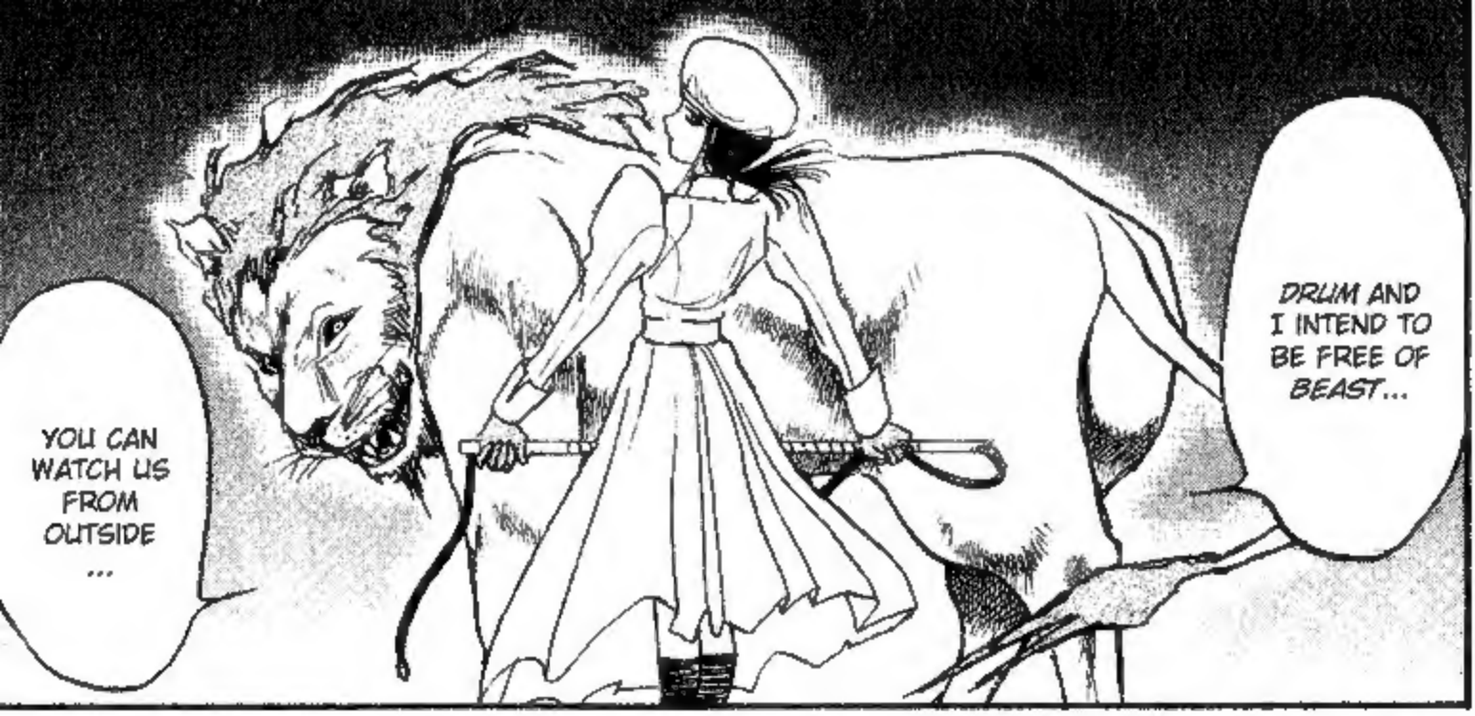

BOOOHH
SHOPPING CENTER
GET EVERY-ONE OUT!
CRRAC
BRROM
BE ALERT! THE TANKER COULD CATCH ON FIRE!
CALL THE FIRE SQUAD!
ESSENCE
ESSENCE
DANGER
VHHH

MASARU ... GET BEHIND DRUM.
THE RISKS COULD BECOME TOO GREAT FOR YOU... STAY OUTSIDE, OKAY?

RRRHH

THANKS, MASARU, BUT...FROM NOW ON, I HAVE TO TAKE THE STAGE... ALONE!

TARANDA, I WANT TO HELP!
SAH


YOU CAN WATCH US FROM OUTSIDE ...
DRUM AND I INTEND TO BE FREE OF BEAST...

FOR ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE.
THANKS ...
TAN

OKAY ...
GOT IT...

ENCE

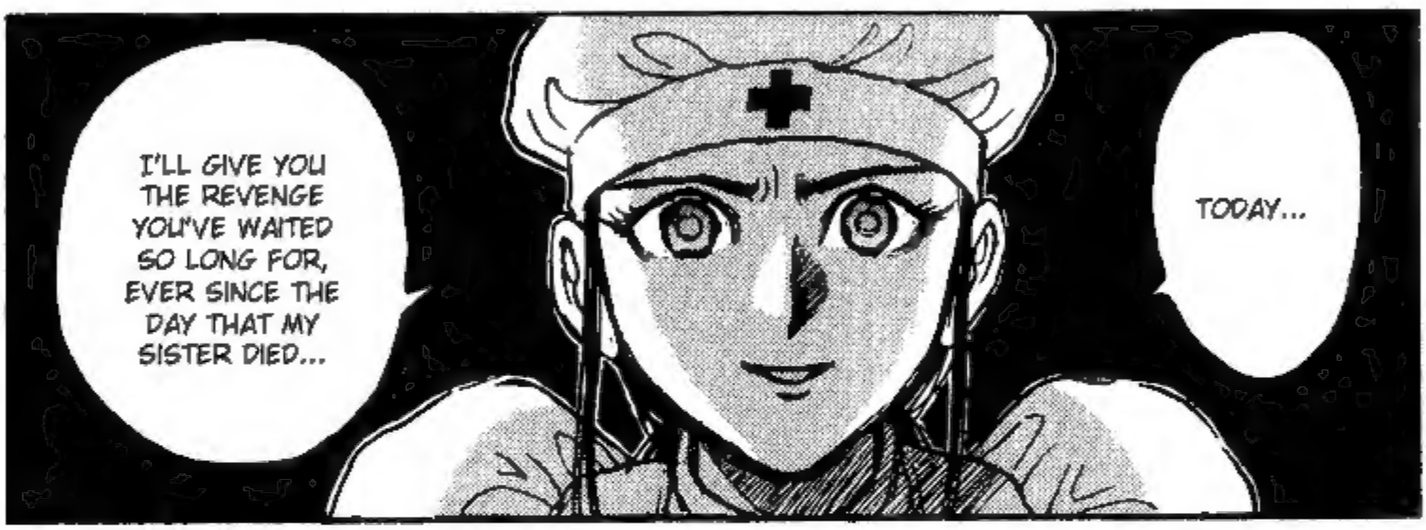
YOU'RE MY LAST SPECTA-TOR.

I GET IT!!
SHE'S READY TO DIE IN THIS BATTLE, IF NEED BE!

WHAT DOES THAT REMARK ...
THE LAST!? WHY!?

I THANK YOU FOR ACCOMPANYING ME UP UNTIL NOW, TO AVENGE HER...

WHEN MY SISTER DIED, YOU BECAME QUITE SAD, DRUM...
IT WAS HER THAT YOU LOVED MOST, RIGHT?


I'LL GIVE YOU THE REVENGE YOU'VE WAITED SO LONG FOR, EVER SINCE THE DAY THAT MY SISTER DIED...
TODAY...

GO FOR IT, DRUM!!
FEST
FEST
ZZZ